

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

William M. Hiatt

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**For:** THROUGH-HOLE CONDUCTORS  
FOR SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATES  
AND METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
MAKING SAME

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Final Office Action mailed September 26, 2007, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on December 26, 2007. This response is submitted on or before two months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.